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Proposed Briefing Guide [redacted]

REFERENCE: Memo from Chief, St/I, 10 July 1958.

1. The major purpose of the proposed guide is not clear. The referenced memo states the main purpose "is to assist the field to select for briefing [redacted] who appear to have the most potential for ORR." At the same time requirements are requested for high priority commodities and Soviet economic organizations. Finally the memo states that "DD/P will request more detailed requirements from ORR for the selected sources whenever time allows."

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2. If the guide is to be used to select for briefing [redacted] it should be so designed. If it is to serve as a briefing guide [redacted] it should have another orientation. If it is to serve both purposes this should be made clear. It is not clear what DD/P has in mind. In the absence of adequate time DD/P would have to brief [redacted] on ORR requirements presumably basing their briefing, at least in part upon the superficial requirements contained in the proposed guide.

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3. We doubt the possibility of reducing the varied interests of ORR to a short list of commodities. In addition, depending solely upon DD/P to select [redacted] upon the basis of such a selected guide makes very little use of the intelligence potential of [redacted] The material included in the suggested guide would necessarily be limited to general-type requirements. The real potential for exploiting [redacted] lies in preparing very specific requirements geared to [redacted]

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From our point of view, the procedures followed by OO, are much superior.

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4. This problem needs much more thought before the preparation of a guide is attempted. Furthermore, if deemed necessary, for initial field guidance, the objectives of the proposed guide should be incorporated into the "Gaps in Intelligence Requirements" that has been proposed by Ch/E.

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